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This horse drawn tank wagon was used by Sinclair Oil beginning in 1917. The tank held an amazing 300 gallons of fuel or gasoline that was delivered to farmers and homesteads for numerous uses. In comparison, today's transport trucks hold 7,000 to 12,000 gallons of fuel or gasoline.

To learn more about this horse drawn tanker and others that followed,

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## Prairie Schooners

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The most common wagons used for hauling freight were the Conestogas, which were designed for their durability and size, and were very popular along the Santa Fe Trail. However, overlanders on the Oregon Trail quickly learned huge, heavy wagons killed even the sturdiest oxen before the journey was two-thirds complete. Their answer to the that Conestoga wagons were too big for their needs. The version of the Conestoga that typically measured 4' wide and 10-12' in length. With its tongue and neck yoke attached, its length doubled to about 23". With the bonnet, a Prairle problem was dubbed the "Prairie Schooner," a half-sized Schooner stood about 10' tall and its wheelbase was over 5 easily dismantled for repairs en route. Teams of 4-6 oxen or 6-10 mules were sufficient to get the sturdy little wagons wide. It weighed around 1300 pounds empty and could be to Oregon. A Prairie Schooner in good repair offered shelter almost as good as a house.





































































































































































































































































































































































































































































































































































